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TITLE: SELECTIVE INHIBITION OF AGGRECANASE  
IN OSTEOARTHRITIS TREATMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on June 27, 2001, and having an original period for response of three months, which expired on September 27, 2001, be extended by three month(s), such that it expires on December 27, 2001.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$920.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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